

NEW TECHNIQUE — Ophthalmic surgical facilities recently installed in the Albany Hospital are being used by surgeons (above) to perform a corneal transplantation. The local hospital's size and quiet atmosphere "make it ideal for eye surgery and follow-up procedures," according to Dr. Sanford L. Severin who heads the Ophthalmic Surgical Staff. "The hospital has purchased a specialized high-power Zeiss operating micros-

cope, new microsurgical instruments and equipment procedures, including corneal transplantation and intraocular lens implantation," Dr. Severin said. Albany's nursing staff has received special training in the postoperative management of patients who have had cataract extraction with intraocular lens implantation, and have cared for a number of these patients during the two to three-day recovery interval.

AUSD trustees review

Proposed academic standards

ALBANY — Members of the Albany Unified School District's Board of Education last week received a list of "proposed competencies for high school graduation."

"The standards for writing, mathematics and reading were formulated through a joint effort of teachers, parents and students," Richard Rosenquist, assistant superintendent, said yesterday.

"We intend to field-test these recommendations this spring, using students in grades seven, nine and twelve for the project, before formally approving the list. Some revisions may be made in the original plans — changes which may be indicated by results of the testing program."

The proposed competencies in writing stipulate that a student should be able to:

1. Convey an oral message in writing.
2. Write a set of directions and instructions.
3. Complete applications and forms such as job, credit, and social security applications; medical and insurance forms; checks.

4. Write a short composition of approximately 250 words describing an idea, incident, event or scene illustrating correct use of sentence structure, punctuation, spelling and paragraphing.
 5. Write and prepare a business letter and envelope for mailing. Write a job resume.
 6. Instruction in mathematics should enable a student to:
 1. Use simple instruments of measurement such as tape and stick measure, thermometer and weight scale.
 2. Perform calculations such as length, area, volume and weight, using given measurements in the predominantly used system.
 3. Make change correctly.
 4. Calculate dates and times.
 5. Compute and compare unit prices.
 6. Compute simple percentage and fraction problems such as interest, discounts and sales tax.
 7. Verify accuracy of common financial statements such as savings and checking accounts, loan accounts, paychecks, bills and sales slips.
 8. Compute the numerical information necessary to complete Federal and State income tax short forms.
 9. Interpret charts and graphs.
 10. Compute averages such as gas mileage and utility consumption.
 11. Perform calculations pertaining to household budget.
- (Note: The math competency test is designed to test students in the four basic math skills — addition, subtraction, multiplication and division — without the use of a calculator.)
- To attain competency in reading, under the proposed program, students should be able to:
1. Read for main idea and supporting detail.
 2. Read and follow simple instructions and directions relating to such areas as medication, cleaning procedures and operating manuals.
 3. Read and comprehend commonly used information presented in a local newspaper such as front page, entertainment section, and the classified advertisements.
 4. Use common reference materials such as telephone book, dictionary, table of contents, library card catalogue.
 5. Read and understand signs and symbols and maps and schedules relating to public and private transportation.
 6. Read and understand standard forms such as insurance, social security, voter registration, credit and job applications, short form income tax and traffic citations.
- "Students with diagnosed learning disabilities may have different graduation standards," Dr. Rosenquist added. "A recommendation will be made to the Board of Education this spring which corresponds with the California Master Plan for Special Education."

GGF racing season to open Jan. 24

ALBANY — Thoroughbred race horses and their trainers and grooms began moving back into Golden Gate Fields Monday.

Racing Secretary Harry Aronitz says the track expects the 1,425 available stalls to be filled opening day, Jan. 26, when the spring racing season begins.

The stable and barn area at the race track and the course itself will be ready for training and workouts Wednesday.

Northern California thoroughbreds are currently near the end of the Bay Meadows meeting, the last day of which is Dec. 28. Trainers, grooms, and track personnel have been moving back across the bay in preparation for the upcoming Albany meeting.

Albany's Community Theatre launches member campaign

ALBANY — With adoption of its constitution, recently, the Albany Community Theatre became the newest of the Bay Area's non-profit theatrical enterprises.

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"During the meeting, starting at 7 p.m. in the Albany Memorial Park Clubhouse, the play selection committee will report on proposed dramas for our first season," Willi continued. Avril Draudt heads our selection committee.

"We'll also have reports from Pat Porter, chairman of the patron membership committee who is encouraging support of the business community, and Sherry Albee who is conducting our membership drive."

"Those interested in any aspect of community theatre — from acting to lighting, makeup or writing — is urged to join the group and contribute their talents to our first community presentations. Debra Markert, heading the production committee, is gathering the names of people interested in the various production operations."

"The 10 members of our board of directors will be elected at the January session, also."

"At the moment we're (Turn to Page 3, Col. 1)

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A lobby drive on SP Ave.

By NORMAN COLBY

ALBANY — The Albany City Council's determination to qualify for federal funds financing improvement of San Pablo Avenue soon will become apparent to other cities in Alameda County.

The council Monday night authorized City Administrator William Haden to lobby the various cities and Mayor Joyce Jackson to make a presentation at the Feb. 8 meeting of the Mayors Conference.

Council members are angry because the latest county committee recommendations for allocation of available Federal Aid to Urban Areas funds ignores Albany entirely.

This small city has never qualified for FAU funds. By contrast, Berkeley received a large amount of FAU monies even when its application was made after the prescribed deadline, according to Mayor Jackson.

Albany is seeking FAU funding for its \$350,000 improvement of San Pablo Avenue, including channelization, center dividers and landscaping.

Only \$289,000 is available this year and the Alameda County Transportation Advisory Committee recommends that the money go for a parking facility for Union City's rapid transit station.

The recommendation goes to the County City Managers Association, the Mayors Conference and then the County Board of Supervisors.

FAU annual funding is actually more than \$3 million next year. But much of the money is committed to projects continuing from previous years and only a certain amount of the total goes for projects like Albany's which are under \$500,000.

In other business, the council was told by City Administrator Haden that CETA workers due to be laid off next July are not being "exploited" since the city is conducting an "employment program," not a "training program."

A citizen's letter asked whether workers are being exploited since they are not allowed to use certain pieces of heavy equipment.

Public Works Director Robert Guletz said the CETA workers use many pieces of equipment but the cost of using the heaviest equipment, due to time spent and damage to machines, is too great for on-going training of all CETA employees.

Another citizen's letter criticized the council for deciding to terminate 12 CETA workers, mostly in public works, in July instead of September when costs will rise sharply due to a chance in federal rates.

The letter, especially critical of Councilman Robert Luoma, was filed upon a motion by Vice Mayor Lewis Howell, who said the letter, "...is not worth discussing." Citizen Dario Meniketti raised the subject under "good of the city," calling Howell an "irresponsible jackass." This prompted gasps and cries of "Merry Christmas."

In other business, the council:

- Authorized City Administrator Haden to negotiate with John Hattam, owner of a one-acre vacant parcel on Tevlin Avenue. Hattam has proposed that the city rent the property for open space for \$150 per month. The city earlier placed a moratorium on development of the parcel while consideration is being given to acquisition for open space.
- Approved regular motorist use of local bus stops during the A/C transit strike, following (Turn to Page 3, Col. 1)

Albany faces another hike in water rates

ALBANY — Albany residents are facing another hike in their water rates — all a part of the high cost of rationing, according to officials of the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD). Directors added that inflation, too, is a factor in the increase proposed for the two-county district.

The recommendation includes a 10-cent surcharge plus a 20 percent increase in all basic water rates. If approved, the price of water would go up 15 cents for each unit of 100 cubic feet of water (748 gallons) used in a two-month billing period. The increase would amount to 14 cents per unit for all additional water used.

A public hearing on the proposal is scheduled for January 10; the increase is proposed to be effective for billing periods beginning on or after February 1.

Apparently EBMUD General Manager John S. Harnett will assure those attending the January hearing that expenses in several major categories during the past four years, have increased from 100 to 300 percent. As an example he noted that pumping power, which cost \$860,000 in 1974, is "expected to go to \$2.3 million this year, even with less water being pumped. Costs for repairing water mains and other leaks totalled \$4.1 million last year, compared to \$1.7 million in 1974; and chemical costs went from \$300,000 to \$600,000."

"And," Harnett added, "the last time basic water rates were raised was in 1974. Earlier this year

EBMUD adopted a drought surcharge amounting to five cents for the first 10 units used in a bi-monthly billing period, and 15 cents for the balance."

The surcharge was intended to cover extra costs brought on by the drought, and to compensate for losses in revenue due to a projected 25 per cent drop in water use. Harnett noted, however, that actual water savings have totalled nearly 40 percent.

He praised EBMUD customers for "outstanding achievement" in keeping consumption down, but pointed out that the resulting drop in revenues makes it impossible to meet higher operating and drought-related costs without a further increase in charges.

In addition, he pointed out that power rates have increased 180 percent, chemical costs have jumped 70 percent, and labor rates have gone up 33 percent since the 1974 rate increase.

Total operating and capital expenses — excluding federal and bond funded projects, and depreciation — are estimated at more than \$39 million this year, contrasted to \$24 million in 1974, Harnett said.

An additional \$460,000 in power revenue was lost because there was almost no hydroelectric power generation at EBMUD's Pardee Dam, due to the water shortage.

Harnett further stressed that budget cuts were being made wherever possible, with an overall target of 10 percent in spending cutbacks for both this year and next year.

Harnett proposed, in addition to the new surcharge, that EBMUD also increase the basic service charge by 20 percent. The increase would raise the monthly rate for most customers from \$2.30 per month up to \$2.75, with proportionately higher rates for industrial and all other customers with larger meters.

Charges for water used in excess of allotments would increase 38 percent, from the present base of 39 cents up to multiples of 54 cents.

The January 10 public hearing will be held as part of the regular EBMUD Board of Directors meeting, beginning at 1:15 p.m. in Room 100 of the EBMUD administrative headquarters, 2130 Adeline St., in Oakland.

3 citizen volunteers are sought

ALBANY — East Bay Municipal Utility District is seeking citizens to sit on a blue ribbon committee which will advise the board on possible water rate changes.

Helen Burke, board member representing Albany and Berkeley, reveals that she and other board members have been permitted three appointments each for the blue ribbon committee.

She is asking Albany and Berkeley residents to write her if they are interested in serving on the advisory group, which will consider such issues as abolishment of the "lifeline" rate, and the possible switch from a declining block rate structure to a flat billing rate.

Mrs. Burke says she is particularly interested in finding qualified women who could serve on the committee, hopefully with an interest in consumer affairs. Those interested in such an appointment should write Helen Burke, care of the EBMUD, 2130 Adeline St., Oakland, Calif. 94623.

Classes in pottery for adults, teens

ALBANY — The Albany Park & Recreation Department announced today new pottery classes for pre-teens and adults to be held at Albany Community Center — 1123 8th St.

Classes will be conducted for adults on Thursday mornings starting January 19 and running through March 9, from 9:30 to 11:30.

Classes also will be held on Wednesday evenings starting January 18 and running through March 8, at Albany Community Center from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Pre-Teen Pottery Class will be held on Thursdays 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Albany Community Center. The fee is \$12.50 for eight classes, materials and firing included.

Adult class fee is \$15 and includes materials. Firing is extra.

Kay Coffee is the instructor.

UC Symphony sets auditions

BERKELEY — The University Symphony Orchestra, Michael Senturia, conductor, is holding auditions for all interested string players January 5 and 6 at Hertz Hall on the Berkeley Campus.

Repertoire includes Beethoven Symphony No. 2, the Dvorak Serenade for Strings, the Third Piano Concerto of Beethoven with William Kindermann, winner of the orchestra's 1977-78 Concerto Auditions, and Debussy's La Mer.

For audition information and appointments, readers may call 642-4864 or 848-3657.

Preschool, Minigym classes

ALBANY — The Albany Park & Recreation Department now has openings in the new preschool and minigym classes. Activities will include the basic movements of jumping, balancing, tumbling, learning to control a ball plus trampolines, gymnastic routines, eye-hand, eye-foot coordination. Each of these series of classes will extend for eight weeks and will be continuous throughout the year.

All classes will be instructed by Dean Ballard. Ballard is a qualified teacher and has had seven years experience in conducting babygym, kindergarten, minigym and maxigym classes. Classes will be held Monday through Thursday at the Albany Community Center, 1123 8th St.

Class schedules are:

Mondays: 10 to 10:45 a.m. Kindergarten and Babygym, Maxigym 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays: 10 to 10:45 a.m. & 11:15 to 12 noon Kindergarten and Babygym, Tuesdays 2:30 to 3:15 kindergarten & 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 Minigym; Wednesdays: 10 to 10:45 a.m. Kindergarten and Babygym; Thursdays: 10-10:45 a.m. Kindergarten and Babygym, 11:15-12 noon Kindergarten and Babygym, 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. Kindergarten and Babygym, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Minigym.

Class fees are \$10 for Babygym and \$12 for all other classes starting January 2, 1978 and running through February 23. Babygym — 18 months to 3 years, Kindergarten 3 years - 5 years, Minigym — 6 years - 8 years, Maxigym 9 years through 11 years.

Pre-registration necessary at the Albany Park & Recreation Department, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany. For further information readers may call 644-8514.



ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR TOM YI

Student of the Month

ALBANY — Tom Yi, a member of Albany High's Junior Class and an honor student, has been named "Student of the Month" for December.

Tom is student director of the Concert Band and leader of the Basketball Pep Band. He will conduct the Concert Band in its Spring Program and will be the clarinet soloist at this year's "Bandshow '78."

As December Student of the Month he will receive a free dinner and a ten-dollar gift certificate from the Berkeley McDonalds, sponsors of the award.

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Deep sea fishing from Pt. Pinole pier

POINT PINOLE — East Bay residents are discovering the thrill of deep salt water fishing without leaving land and within minutes' travel from their own homes with the opening of a quarter-mile pier off the end of Point Pinole, north of Richmond.

The most recent outdoor recreation triumph of the busy East Bay Regional Park District, the vast T-shaped span provides access to the only deep water reachable without a boat along the entire 100-mile Alameda-Contra Costa shoreline.

The pier extends into rich fishing grounds from EBPRD's spectacular Point Pinole Regional Shoreline, a 2,147-acre fist of land jutting into San Pablo Bay along four miles of shoreline, an untrammeled parkland that warrants such glowing descriptions as "a tranquil shelter from the volatile life of the city."

The park is four miles from downtown Richmond and only a "step" westward from U.S. Route 80, off the Giant Highway. Development is minimal and no cars may intrude beyond the entrance to maintain the rare urban "island of serenity."

Answering the long-time hope of East Bay sportsmen for a practical means of fishing their "hometown" deep waters, the \$700,000 pier welcomed its first eager anglers at sun-up Saturday.

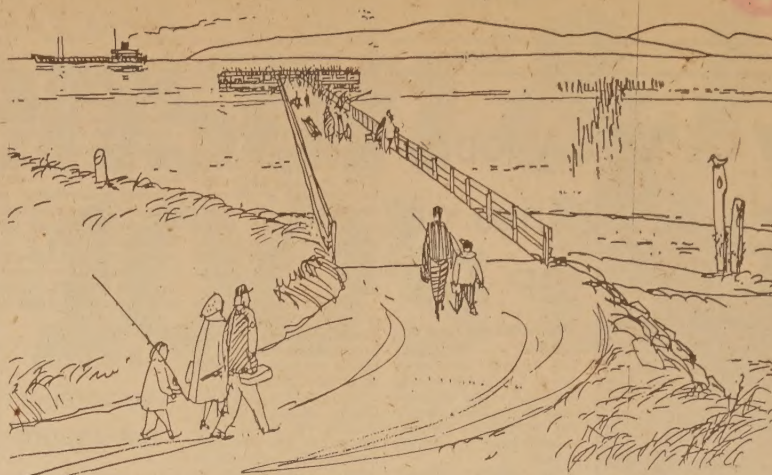
It was declared open, officially by Park District Director Paul J. Gader in brief afternoon ceremonies.

By the time of the ceremony, "serious" fishermen and the hundreds of "small fry" competing in a big fish contest had already landed catches of all sizes, ranging from prized bass and flounder to sharks and sting rays.

"We kept our promise and even the fish are co-operating," Badger enthused. "We're all out here today, ready and waiting for the striper run!"

Striped bass and salmon migrate upriver annually past the Point, providing a red letter season on the angler's calendar. The migrants, along with white sturgeon, go up to trophy size. Other good-eating species, headed from the Point Pinole pier to the frying pan, include flounder and perch.

"Let's not forget the



NEW \$700,000 PIER AT POINT PINOLE REACHES DEEP INTO RICH FISHING WATERS

value of a good fish dinner, costing nothing except your own effort," Badger said. "Budget-watchers have a bonanza here, too."

There are no fees involved in visiting the pier or the shoreline park. No fishing license or permits are needed. With the opening, the EBPRD shuttle began its daily, every one-half hour, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. trips between the free parking lot and the pier.

As soon as the strike is over, AC Transit will resume service to the park entrance, an extension of the Panchester Village line that was begun in September and is being subsidized by more than \$17,000 in EBPRD funds.

For the big opener, there was excitement for just plain sightseers, too, exploring the handsomely-designed span and experiencing thrill of being far from shore while still on steady footing.

Unlike the high public piers in Monterey Bay, the Point Pinole pier rises only 12 feet above the water at the maximum.

Water depth at the end, where the 18-foot width of the first 1,200 feet flares out to form the "T" crossing" of 26 by 105-feet, is 12 feet at low tide.

The big freighters going upriver from the ports of Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco pass by at what seems a stone's throw away. The myriad water birds appear curious to find human activity 'way out there, in the usual province of boats.

Just to the east of the span are the weathered pilings of the old wooden pier reminders of the "explosive" past of Point Pinole. These are within casting distance and were left to attract fish.

Built in the 1890's, the old Hercules pier went out, 1,186 feet and was used until the 1950's for loading the dynamite manufactured on the Point.

While the new pier is relatively the same length, it is at a different angle in order to reach deeper water, a position determined by a hydrographic survey undertaken by EBPRD in

the initial planning stages. Asthetically, the pier is a delight, both in the overall view and in picking out its pieces.

Originating in the Park District's creative Planning and Design Department, the conceptual design assures minimal intrusion into the natural splendor of the lands and waters.

For example, the full half-mile of railings (2,644 feet all around the sides) are of untreated Alaskan yellow cedar which will weather to a driftwood silver patina, improving with age.

The cedar also was used for the framework of the eight wind shelters interspersed along the outer reaches as havens from brisk winter winds. Within the cedar framework are panels of redwood.

The 25 steel-supported benches also are of cedar. Then, to blend with the woods and to get away from a cold, grey appearance, a buff coloration was added to the top layer of the concrete decking. The

surface is textured for a softer look and to minimize slipperiness.

Working with Architect Lewis Crutcher of Mill Valley, Chief of EBPRD Planning and Design, in designing the structure and surroundings were Architect Donald Harms of Kensington, Assistant Department Chief, and Dennis Antle of Walnut Creek, Landscape Architect.

Badger pointed out that EBPRD's development of Robert Crown State Beach along the Alameda shoreline was found by Alameda City Chamber of Commerce to be the equivalent, economically, to the establishment of a new industry.

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& Moore engineering firm. The general contractors were Jensen & Reynolds of Clayton and Benicia.

For a mental exercise in thinking big, take the EBPRD shopping list of materials that went out to the Point construction job, by truck and by barge.

Robinson, who spent most of the 11 months' construction period on the site, puts the total weight of concrete, metal and wood at more than \$2,750 tons.

Supporting the quarter-mile, 18-foot wide span are 82 two-foot square pre-stressed concrete piles. These are graduated in length from 28 to 54 feet to fit the off-shore slope and soil conditions.

These piles were capped in pairs to support 54 pre-cast concrete sections, each 50 feet long and eight feet wide.

Forty-eight of these huge slabs, stepped side by side in pairs, stretch out the 1,200 feet. It took six to form the 26 by 105-foot "T" crossing.

On top of the 54 deck sections is spread a three-inch layer of the buff-colored concrete topping.

While the new pier is now heralded primarily as a boon to fishermen, bird and boat watchers and explorers, the potential economic impact on surrounding communities will be watched by area Chambers of Commerce and city officials, Badger predicted.

The "new" park-goers to be attracted are expected to bring an influx of trade to restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations and garages, sporting goods supplies and the several shopping centers situated within sight from highways leading to the Point.

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facilities to serve as an adjunct to the pier.

Nearing completion is the \$194,000 bridge over the Southern Pacific railroad tracks, giving direct access to walkways, bicycles and horses, since all traffic (except service and emergency vehicles) is barred at the gates.

Contracts are set to go out next month (1/78) for a variety of construction projects to cost an estimated \$238,000 and to be completed in the spring.

Contracts include a Giant Recreation Cluster with picnic sites and play meadows near the entrance; additional picnic areas in the pier area; completion of the walkways and bicycleways system; access to the beach and a fresh water system at the pier.

EBPRD is using \$156,000 in Robert Urban Park Development funds for these projects and adding another \$82,000 in its supplemental development funds.

The fact that there is no fresh water supply on the Point may be considered a significant factor in its preservation.

Originally, it was visited for shell-fish gathering by the native Indians, though no permanent settlements are believed to have occurred because of the lack of fresh water.

In 1823 it became a part of the 15,000-acre Rancho San Pablo and continued a tranquil land of cattle grazing until the early 1880's when the manufacture, storage and shipping of high explosives were literally blasted out of operations in San Francisco and Albany.

An "explosive site" from the 1880's until the 1950's, when technological changes made the manufacture obsolete, the Point was hidden behind barricades and strict safety regulations of the explosives industry.

Even after the industry moved out, the barriers continued up, since the site was planned for a major plant by Bethlehem Steel Company.

Its future was determined by massive public

pressure to "free the land and waters" for a movement that culminated in the sale of the property by Bethlehem Steel to the Park District.

The Regional opened for limited use in the winter of 1972 and dedicated September 1973.

The most expensive purchase ever made by the Park District, land for the incomparable Shoreline Park cost \$6,000,000 in purchases from the company, 928 acres in 1976 and 75 acres in 1977.

The 983 acres of shore lands beyond the tide mark are held by EBPRD on a no-cost basis from the State Lands Commission, executed September 1976.

Along with paying the cost of the new pier, the U.S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation contributed \$1,500,000 toward the land purchases from three Land and Water Conservation grants.

Federal revenue

Revenue of state governments from all sources totaled \$185.2 billion in 1976, while total expenditures rose to \$190.5 billion, reports the Commerce Clearing House.

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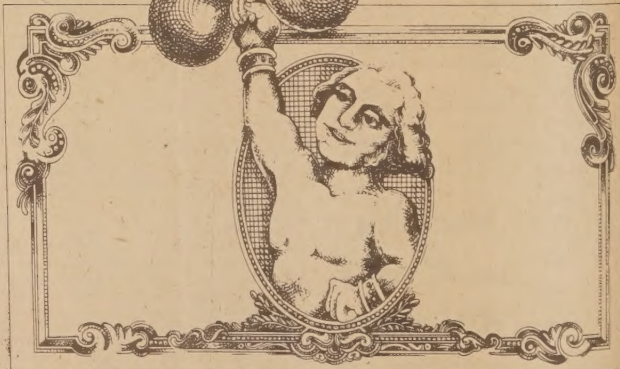
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Times

Hometown news

A score of former Albany Unified School District teachers (20 to those who don't know what the score is), staged a reunion recently at the Marriott Inn in Berkeley.

The contingent representing the Albany High faculty included Constance Dietsch, Stephen Lehmer and Frank Turner, all of Albany; Miriam Gilsenan and Stephen Sherry, both of Berkeley; John Ryan of Santa Rosa; Robert Hughes, El Cerrito; Helen Fake, Walnut Creek; and Margaret Rathmell, Oakland.

Former Albany Elementary School faculty members present at the session were Anne Bertich, Elizabeth Danner, Agnes Dickson and Frances Tilbury, all still residing in Albany; Frances Clarke and Irene Whitcomb of Berkeley; Claire Chaponet Litzuis, Oakland; Rosalie Maynard, Kensington; Wanda Sauers, Richmond; Alice Sullivan, Orinda; and Ebba Brown, Auburn.

Albanyites are about to be briefed on one of life's two certainties — taxes. Col. Samuel R. Dows (Ret.), will direct a "Tax Aid Counseling" session at the Albany Senior Center on Feb. 14.

The Valentine Day date apparently was scheduled in recognition of the IRS tendency toward cupidity, according to one disgruntled counsellor.

Col. Dows, however, said the earlier date "will be useful for those who wish to file early for prompt refunds. We'll conduct other sessions in March and April, and the free counseling is open to everyone."

The Albany Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons is sponsoring the local classes.

"But first," Dows said, so we'll have a class for tax aid counsellors. Persons living in this area who have had some tax experience are needed. They will be trained by IRS instructors in the latest changes in Federal and State tax laws. The five-day class will be conducted from January 16 to 20 (inclusive) in Berkeley. Those interested in the course can contact me at 525-0509 for details," Dows added.

S.F. concert of Vienna favorites

SAN FRANCISCO — A Night in Old Vienna, the San Francisco Symphony's traditional holiday concert of Viennese favorites is scheduled for performances both in San Francisco and neighboring communities this year.

Guest conductor Franz Ales and the husband-wife team of baritone Thomas Stewart and soprano Evelyn Lear collaborate with the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra for performances at the Opera House Dec. 30, 31 at 8 p.m.; Flint Center for the Performing Arts, Cupertino, Dec. 29 at 8 p.m. and the Marin Civic Center Dec. 28 at 8 p.m. Program highlights include selections from Johann Strauss "The Gipsy Baron," the operettas of Franz Lehár and Music to Celebrate the 150th Birthday of Josef Strauss.

LOBBY

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Oakland's example. The authorization automatically terminates with the end of the strike.

—Learned that the Albany Civil Service Board has endorsed a proposed charter amendment changing residency maximum distance requirements for police and fire employees from 15 to 35 air miles.

—Scheduled a public hearing next Tuesday, for the Albany hill specific plan.

—Announced that the next council meeting will be next Tuesday since Monday, the day following Christmas, is a holiday.

THEATER

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concentrating on memberships — individual and family memberships. And we're asking those readers who would like to enroll to contact us for additional information and a membership form," she concluded.

Readers may address inquiries to Darryl Orris, Albany Community Arts Coordinator, Albany Community Theatre, 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany).

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Times Mailbag

Editor
Dear Sir:

The discussion of CETA at the City Council meeting on December 15 is of much concern to me. One of the CETA workers reportedly made the assertion that he has not been trained for any job that requires the operating of machinery but just to do simple manual labor. This raises many questions in my mind. What is the purpose of CETA? What were the goals for the City and for the workers when the City of Albany joined the CETA program? If there was a difference between the City's expectations and the workers' expectations, why has this not been worked out during the months the program has been running? Since the program has six more months to go, I would like an investigation made to find out what is wrong with it and to do as much as possible to give the workers adequate training for a new job in the short time left. I also think it would be well to follow Mrs. Odessa Shavers' suggestion of having someone responsible for getting jobs for the group. If there has been exploitation of the workers, I don't like it anymore than I do having the taxpayers' money wasted.

Jane Quarfort

Editor
Dear Sir:

I would like to thank the Albany Police Department for its promptness and concern in my hour of distress.

Sincerely
Honeybee Hewitt

Editor
Dear Sir:

The Albany High School PTA would like to thank (via your paper) the contributors who made our yearly fund raiser dinner such a success.

These firms were: Long's Drug Store, Woolworth's, MacDonalds and Park and Shop.

We also want to thank the Albany Times for its invaluable aid in publicizing our events.

Sincerely yours,
Peggie Craig
Secretary for AHS

Editor
Dear Sir:

We wish to thank you for your excellent preview of our Annual Show held this year on October 22, 1977.

Your pictures and articles were terrific and I am sure you helped us a great deal in selling tickets.

Again, many thanks for your kindness.

Sincerely,
Rachael Lombardo
Recording Secretary
Oakland Old Time
Vaudeville Club

Editor
Dear Sir:

We are concerned about the soundness of the judgment used by Councilmen Luoma and Howell in terminating Albany's 12 full-time CETA employees at the end of next June, three months before the date called for in the present contract.

Much heat has been generated recently around different aspects of this issue. We feel, however, that there is basically one consideration with respect to the "good of the city" that applies in this case.

The employees affected have been working for us for up to three years or more. Even if they have not received the training they should have (and indeed may receive under another item of last week's Council action), their work experience here has by now made them a valuable resource in providing needed services to the city.

As noted by city officials, the annual cost to Albany for employing these 12 people through next September is about \$22,000, or \$5,500 for the three final months cut off by the present Council

majority. That amounts to approximately \$150 per month per employee.

How else, except under CETA funding, could we obtain such low-cost, long-term, on-the-job-experienced help?

The employees themselves want to stay on the job until next September. In view of the low cost to us of their labor, why does Councilman Luoma in particular want to kick them out?

We all pay the federal taxes that support such programs. Why shouldn't our city receive the 85% federal subsidy to keep these 12 people working as long as possible for our own benefit, instead of those funds going to some other community? It's our tax money you're throwing away, Mr. Luoma!

Councilman Luoma justifies the premature cut-off by saying that the laid-off employees can find other jobs more easily in the summer. Your paternalism is misplaced, Mr. Luoma — these workers are adults and can decide for themselves what is in their best interest. If they want to stay on at such low cost to the city, they should be allowed to do so.

Councilman Luoma's justification for his initiating the cut-off is not convincing. One is forced to the conclusion that he has not revealed all of his reasons for taking such action, and to wonder what they may be.

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Senior citizen news

By MARTY ROSMAN & S. FALLCREEK

TODAY — The Christmas season vacation continues for adult classes, so drop by and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and a cup of coffee and a friendly chat. The dinner tonight will feature oven-fried chicken. Special entertainment tonight as the Berkeley Mothers' Chorus will present a program of song.

THURSDAY — The regular Thursday bingo is cancelled today, as we prepare for the annual Christmas luncheon and party at noon. Varied entertainment will be offered. If you've made your reservation, don't forget to attend! Party-goers are reminded NOT to bring gifts. Dinner as usual to night with Salisbury steak.

FRIDAY — The community service group meets at 10, and after the

bag lunch, the bridge party starts at 12:30. Roast beef au jus for supper, then Dr. R. Knight will give a talk on nutrition.

SATURDAY — The Center opens at noon for bag lunching and cards, then get out your dancing shoes at 2 for three hours of practice on those ballroom steps! Cards and visiting in the afternoon also.

SUNDAY — Have a Merry Christmas! (The Center is closed today).

MONDAY — The Center will be open all day as usual. No creative writing class, but watercolor class meets at noon. Baked

swiss steak is on the menu tonight at 4 (make your reservations ahead for dinner by calling 644-8501).

TUESDAY — The needlecraft group will meet at 10 and a bag lunch as usual at noon. No exercise teacher this month, but everyone is welcome to use the Center for practice starting at 2. We'll have spaghetti and meatballs for supper.

It may be gloomy outside these days, but there's always a bit of sun and cheer inside the Center, so drop by any time for coffee and conversation. Here's wishing everyone the best of holiday joy!



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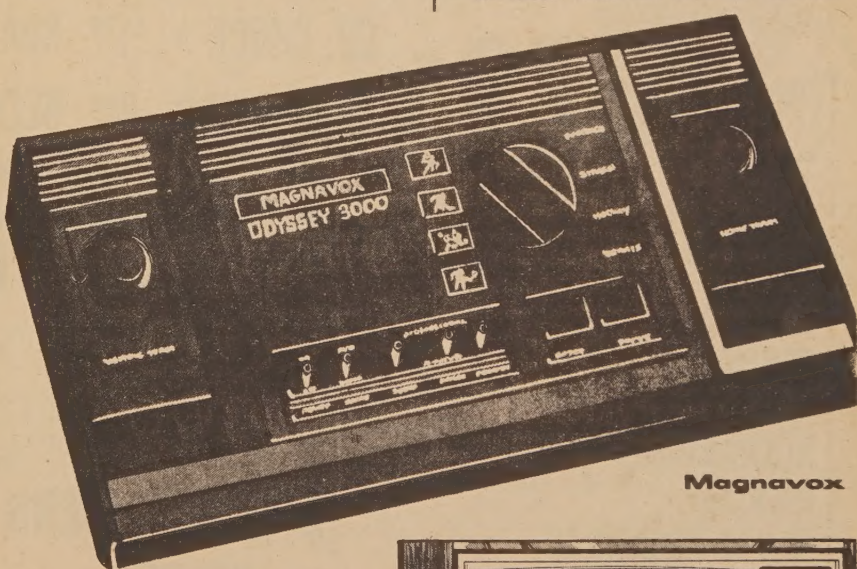
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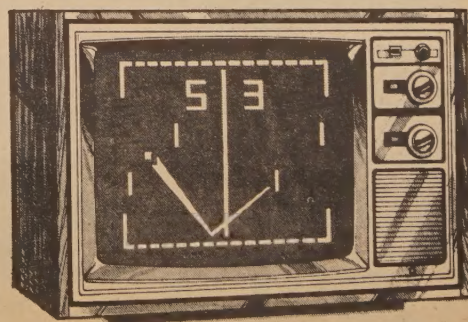


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Hypnotism regains favor as a medical treatment

SAN FRANCISCO—Despite its checkered history of being alternately accepted and condemned over the last two centuries, hypnotism today is gaining steadily in popularity as a medical tool for alleviating pain and probing the human mind.

An eminent Stanford University psychologist and authority on hypnotism, Emeritus Prof. Ernest R. Hilgard, said this week that laboratory studies have demonstrated that hypnotism can reduce pain by an amount that corresponds to the individual's susceptibility to being hypnotized. And susceptibility, in turn, depends on one's imagination.

The Stanford psychologist noted that hypnotism first became popular in the 18th century when Franz Anton Mesmer, a German physician, moved to Paris and began treating people by what he called "animal magnetism."

When Mesmer came into conflict with the French Academy of Medicine, the king of France appointed a commission of scientists including Benjamin Franklin to investigate the physician's claims. They found that animal magnetism was not magnetism at all, but an exercise in imagination.

"The next blow came after hypnosis had demonstrated very satisfactory results in reducing the pain of amputations," said Hilgard. "Ether came into use the same year, and chloroform the next, overshadowing hypnosis as an anesthetic."

"Later the neurologist Charcot in France made hypnosis respectable and influenced Freud to use it. Freud, however, turned his back on hypnosis in favor of psychoanalysis, thus dealing another blow to hypnosis. But interest in it recovered again after both World Wars."

The effort to evaluate hypnotic phenomena began at Stanford in 1957 with Hilgard's establishment of the Psychology Department's Laboratory in Hypnosis, which he still directs. With his Exploratorium audience participating, Hilgard gave a demonstration of some of the responses to suggestion upon which hypnotism depends.

He showed that although the responses are genuine and involuntary, not everyone responds readily. The number of those who do respond depends upon the difficulty of the behavior suggested, he said.

With knowledge of this fact, the first work of his

laboratory was to construct the Stanford Hypnotic Susceptibility Scales, now widely used in many languages to measure hypnotic responsiveness.

The next step was to find correlates of hypnotic susceptibility. Dr. Josephine Hilgard, a psychologist and her husband's research associate, discovered that the most important prerequisite was a capacity for imaginative involvement—that is, an ability to set one's reality aside temporarily while enjoying fantastic experiences.

Her results were supported by studies of the brain which showed the right hemisphere to be important in both imagination and hypnosis.

"In the laboratory it also was found that the amount by which pain could be reduced was correlated with measured susceptibility to hypnosis," said Hilgard. "After learning about pain in the laboratory, research has now been directed to the study of clinical pain, particularly the alleviation of pains associated with the treatment of childhood leukemia."

"Many of these pains, as well as pains related to cancer tumors, have been shown to be responsive to hypnosis."

"A discovery made almost by chance showed that there is a lingering awareness, at a level of which the subject is not conscious, of what is going on when the sense of pain is blocked by hypnosis. This does not affect the usefulness of hypnosis in pain relief, but raises some interesting questions about divided consciousness."

Albany Bowl

Diablo dumps Acme Printing

By PHIL ALSTON

ALBANY—Art Lane blasted a 674 series and George Schaber backed him with 643 as Diablo Bowling Supply kept alive its hopes for a first place finish in the first half of the 905 Major League at Albany Bowl by whipping Acme Printing Ink 184 to 64.

California jobless rate down

SACRAMENTO—California's unemployment rate fell from 7.6 percent in October to 7.2 percent in November it was reported today by the State's Employment Development Department.

Although unemployment was slightly up over the month and employment was down, the changes were less than normal for this time of year, when major cutbacks in outdoor activity and related work are expected, so the seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate went down.

Total unemployment in November was 680,600. This was an increase of only 4,700 over the month and much less than normal. An increase of about 44,000 would have been normal for this time of year. Over the 12 months since November, 1976, (when the unemployment rate was 9.0 percent) the jobless total has fallen by 149,300.

In the same 12-month period, the state's total labor force has increased by 320,600 from 9,714,700 to 10,035,300. Thus, with the 320,600 increase in the labor force and the reduction of 149,300 in the number of unemployed, the number of Californians with jobs has increased by 469,900 in 12 months.

Total employment in November was 9,354,700. This was a decline of 72,800 from the October total of 9,427,500. However, a normal decline at this time of year would have been about 112,000. Layoffs in seasonal industries were partly offset by gains in other industries. Farm employment was down 105,400 over the month, fruit and vegetable canning was down 17,100 and construction was down 6,200. However, durable goods manufacturing was up 11,500, retail trade was up 19,400 and government was up 15,400.

Payroll employment in all nonagricultural industries totaled 8,689,500 in November, a new record. These nonfarm industries have added 418,800 jobs in 12 months, an increase of 5.1 percent. However, some of the individual industries have recorded better-than-average increases over the year. Construction is up 16.8 percent, adding 56,600 jobs; wholesale trade is up 8.7 percent, adding 42,800 jobs; the large services group is up 6.2 percent, adding 100,500 jobs; and retail trade is up 5.7 percent, adding 81,800 jobs.

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Craig Lacy head Bowling Association

ALBANY—Craig Lacy, vice president of the Albany Bowl, has been elected vice president of the East Bay Bowling Proprietors Association.

A resident of San Pablo, Lacy is the youngest member of the association to hold a leadership position in bowling. His father, Harry Lacy, was a former president of the Bowling Proprietors Association of America.

East Bay BPA's president will be a member of the Springfield of Fremont who succeeds Dr. Fanucchi of Graceland Bowl, Livermore. Terminello, San Jose, will again serve as secretary.

East Bay BPA is comprised of representatives from 18 bowling establishments in West Coast and Alameda counties.



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UC exhibit of gifts to libraries

BERKELEY — The public is invited to the annual Christmas Exhibition of gifts to the libraries of the University of California, Berkeley on display through January 6. The exhibition includes over one hundred books, manuscripts, photographs and paintings which have been presented by individual donors and private foundations to the Bancroft Library and other library units during the past year, or purchased with their generous gift of funds.

Among important manuscript materials displayed are the correspondence and papers of the California financier William C. Ralston, the papers of Samuel Silver, U.C. professor and director of the Space Sciences Laboratory, and letters from the historian and founder of The Bancroft Library, Hubert Howe Bancroft, to his wife and son.

Additional manuscript material is an autograph leaf of a previously unknown composition by Johannes Brahms, a substantial collection of letters and manuscripts by the California author Bret Harte, nearly sixty Catalonian documents from the 12th to the 16th century, and logbooks from the schooner California (1844-46) and the sloop of war Cyane (1842-44), the latter describing the premature, temporary occupation of California by the U.S.

Pictorial material on display includes water colors by the western artist Edward Borein, a self-portrait by the California landscape painter Gottardo Piazzi and engraving reproductions of Francisco Mujica diez de Bonilla's drawings. An important publication of bamboo-slip texts from Han tombs highlights the offerings from the university's East Asiatic Library.

Other books displayed include a geographical work containing the first map to show California as an island, an important new reference work entitled "Who's Who Among Black Americans," a legal handbook printed in Leipzig in 1489 and the first great document in the annals of women's rights, Mary Wollstonecraft's A Vindication of the Rights of Woman.

Of special interest to U.C. alumni are original manuscripts of Clinton Korse's songs "Sons of California" and "Hail to California" and an oral history memoir by two distinguished alumni, Winifred and Bartlett Heard, only one of many important memoirs from The Bancroft Library's Regional Oral History Office.

The exhibition is open to the public, free of charge, until January 6, 1978. Library hours are Monday through Friday, 9 to 5, with the exception of December 23, 26, 30 and January 2, when the libraries will be closed. Gifts are displayed in the gallery and administrative offices of The Bancroft Library, exhibition cases of the Doe (Main) Library and at Moffitt Undergraduate Library.

Volunteers needed to deliver meals

ALBANY — The Albany Senior Center is making an appeal for volunteers to help deliver hot lunches to older householders within the city.

Under the Meals on Wheels program, seniors who find it difficult to leave their home can receive at their door, Monday through Friday, a lunch containing hot soup and main dish, with salad, bread and butter, milk and dessert. The charge for each meal is \$2.

Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, pick up the meals at Albany Hospital and take them to the waiting seniors citizens. Each volunteer delivers a few meals one day per week.

"Anyone who can help with this valuable and much appreciated project is urged to call us at the Senior Center, 644-8500, from Monday to Friday, Marty Rosman, Center spokesman, said.

The Louvre
The Louvre museum in Paris was first opened to the public in 1793 by Napoleon.

To close gap in Recreation Trail

OAKLAND — To close the last remaining gap in the 27-mile East Bay Skyline National Recreation Trail, East Bay Regional Park District Directors have taken final steps to acquire the 12-acre property of Kenneth A. and Elizabeth Avelino by condemnation.

The property, including a home, is situated east of Oakland's Skyline Boulevard in Contra Costa County and adjacent to EBRPD's fragile Huckleberry Botanic Preserve.

The Board ratified all previous actions in the matter and an order per-

mitting "immediate possession" will give EBRPD the right to take over the property by mid-November. Meanwhile, under terms of an order "fixing security," EBRPD had deposited the sum of \$75,000 with the court which Real Estate Appraiser John Hamilton

says is the fair market value of the home and acreage. This is described in the court papers as "probable just compensation." In July, 1976, the Avelinos accepted an offer to sell 10 acres of their property, excluding the home, for \$15,000. This offer was subsequently withdrawn.

Negotiations for the steep-hillside property in Contra Costa County began some five years ago. The Avelino home is situated off Pinehurst Road and reached via a 600-foot gravel road which was probably built on the site of the 120-year-old Thorn toll road.

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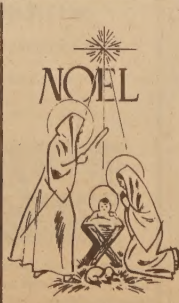
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When the bay wasn't a bay

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco Bay was not a bay at all 15,000 years ago, according to a recent report of the U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

A team of researchers has uncovered new evidence that 15,000 years ago the ancestral Sacramento-San Joaquin River flowed through the Golden Gate towards a shoreline near the Farallon Islands, about 30 miles off the present coast. "The Bay of San Francisco," they said, "did not begin forming until about 10,000 to 11,000 years ago."

Geologist, Brian F. Atwater, senior author of the report, said, "During the last Ice Age, between 15,000 and 25,000 years ago, so much water was tied up in continental ice sheets and glaciers that sea level was several hundred feet lower than it is today. As a result, the present site of

San Francisco Bay stood high and dry above the surface of the Pacific Ocean."

"There was so much ice during the last Ice Age," the scientist added, "that a giant slab of ice 75 miles (125 kilometers) thick and big enough to cover all of California could have been taken from the icecap and still left enough ice to form all the glaciers and Polar icecaps that exist today."

About 13,000 years ago, the ice in Canada, Yosemite, and other glaciated areas began to melt. Sea level rose as the melt water returned to the oceans. By dating the fossil remains of tidal-marsh plants, the USGS scientists estimated that the rising sea had entered the Golden Gate and begun to spread inland by about 10,000 years ago.

"During the next 2,000 years," Atwater

said, "the shoreline advanced inland across gently sloping areas as rapidly as two miles per century, in response to a rise in sea level of about six feet per century. This rate of sea-level rise decreased as the ice sheets disappeared, and has averaged half a foot per century during the past 6,000 years."

"Compared with most rocks and landforms," Atwater said, "estuaries such as San Francisco Bay are quite young features. Because of their youth, they continue to change rapidly, compared with more stable geologic features. An understanding of the geological history of estuaries helps us to discriminate between natural changes and the effects of dredging, waste disposal, and other human activities."

New research on quake prediction



HEADS ACCMA — Oscar M. Powell, MD, Oakland nuclear medicine specialist, was installed recently as president of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association. The ACCMA, with 2,290 member physicians, is the second largest medical group in the state. Dr. Powell has served as the president of the American College of Nuclear Physicians and currently is the secretary of the Society of Nuclear Medicine.

Federal cars

The federal government owns and operates a fleet of nearly 191,000 trucks, which makes it the motor vehicle industry's biggest truck user, says the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

BERKELEY — Scientists at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory are studying seismic conditions in California in the hope of someday being able to predict earthquakes.

Research projects in the field include monitoring changes in the electrical resistance of the earth near fault lines, studying the changing rates at which vibration waves travel through rock, and collecting and analyzing data on the fluctuations of radon in well water. Radon is a gas naturally released into subsurface waters.

Radon as a possible earthquake predictor is the subject of a paper LBL physicist A.R. Smith will present before the American Geophysical Union meeting, which is being held in San Francisco Dec. 5-9, 1977.

The changes in trace amounts of radon in well water were one of the precursor signs used by the Chinese in their successful earthquake predictions.

Smith, along with geologist Harold Wollenberg, nuclear scientist Frank Asaro and engineers Duane Mosier and Harry Bowman, all of Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, began collecting and analyzing radon data in Oroville, Calif. following a major earthquake there Aug. 1, 1975, which registered a magnitude six on the Richter scale. The 3,000 samples collected were analyzed at LBL.

Radon gas is a naturally occurring by-product of uranium decay. Uranium is found in most rocks, and as it decays radon is released and then dissolves in subsurface waters.

Smith, in cooperation with the United States Geological Survey in Menlo Park, Calif., has been operating a continuous monitoring station at San Juan Bautista in Central California along an active segment of the San Andreas Fault.

"Though data gathered at San Juan Bautista cannot be clearly correlated with seismic activity, there does appear to be a correlation between periodic radon changes and earth tides," states Smith. Earth tides are the periodic movement of the earth's crust caused by the gravitational force of the sun and the moon.

"Over the last three years, we have learned to take consistent samples and make accurate measurements," Smith adds. "The results of the measurements are so accurate that when changes in radon appear, we know they reflect a real change in radon levels."

"Our work at both Oroville and San Juan Bautista, as well as our monitoring program at LBL where we are sampling a local spring, has been complicated by severe drought conditions over the last three years," he says. "In normal rainfall years we might see different radon levels than we are seeing now."

"At Oroville, the drought may have provided us with a unique opportunity to measure the stress in the earth of the present volume of water behind the dam, and as the reservoir fills again during a rainy season, we can measure the stress changes," he adds.

Most scientists concede that the art of earthquake prediction is still in its infancy. "The earth reveals its secrets slowly," says Smith. "We need to know much more about how various forces cause stress in the earth and how to interpret the clues that are revealed to those of us who are listening at the surface."

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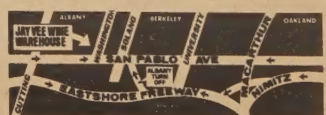
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Puppet classes formed

ALBANY — The Albany Park & Recreation Department has opened the Puppet Class which will be held at Memorial Park Clubhouse, 1375 Portland Ave. Classes are held on Saturday mornings from 10 to noon. Fee is \$12 for 10 weeks.

Construction and operation of five different types of puppets, including finger puppets, hand puppets, paper mache heads, paper puppets and head puppets are also taught. The class will include making scenery and props for a puppet theatre production.

Class Instructor is Ed Markert, who has sponsored puppet shows and exhibitions on puppet theatre productions. A continue class will be held on January 14 and 15 through February 18. Students may register at the Albany Park & Recreation Department, 1000 S. Pablo Ave.

Albany church news

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Christmas services December 25 will be held at 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church 980 Stannage Ave. Those who have never attended the church "are extended a special invitation to join in worship at this season."

The Rev. David Houston will deliver the sermon the title of which is "There will be no end." The scripture is taken from Isaiah 9 verse 2 and 6 through 7, and Luke 2 verses 8 through 20.

Carol Johnston is the lay leader and will also sing a solo.

At 9:30 every Sunday morning Nina Hazelton leads a Bible study and prayer group in the Education unit of the church. Each week Sunday School is available for children in pre-school and the early grades. This will parallel the 11 o'clock church service. Children will join the adults in the sanctuary during the first part of the service and then go to their classes.

Nursery care will be provided for small children.

ST. ALBAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Today at 11:30 the Rev. Warren Debenham, rector, will celebrate Holy Com-

munion in honor of St. Thomas.

The Christmas celebration will begin with the family service of candlelight holy communion at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. James Lamb will be the lector, reading from the book of Titus. The acolytes will be Leonard Johnston, Karin Lamb and Karen Zapata. Music will be provided by the Teen Choir. Nursery care will be available.

The Service of Lessons and Carols will begin at 10:30, opening with a prelude, "Glory to God in the Highest," sung in duet by Lois Herr and Hertha Hintz. Senior Choir director Rita Dows will lead the singing of the carols, "With All Thy Hosts," "Shepherds, Shake Off Thy Drowsy Sleep," "How Far Is It to Bethlehem?" and "Go, Tell It on the Mountain." The lector will be R. L. Spurrier, and the acolytes will be Victor Tyler, Toby Rompel, Renea Davies and Kristy Scott. The Senior Choir will sing the anthem "O Holy Night," Jack Storrs and R. L. Spurrier will usher.

The communion service on Christmas morning will be at 10 o'clock. Ann Rolfsen will be the lector. Alan Levinson and Karen Zapata will be the acolytes, while the anthem will be a solo by Shirley Sisco. Robert Knapp and R. L. Spurrier will usher.

Father Debenham will bring the Christmas message at all three services. He will also be the celebrant of Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Francis Symons, deacon, and Nabeel Jacob, lay reader.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church is at 1501 Washington Ave.

ALBANY CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Christmas Day at 11 a.m. the Bible Lesson Sermon topic will be "Christian Science." The Golden Text is from II Corinthians: "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift."

Tuesday afternoon the Reading Room will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. The address is 1358 Marin Ave.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"Make Room for Jesus" will be the title of the message by Pastor Larry Campbell at the 11 a.m. worship hour on Christmas Day. Families are invited to attend together on that important Sunday of celebration.

Economy 'healthy' but inflation troublesome

SAN FRANCISCO — Despite the health of the California economy and generally good prospects for 1978, inflation continues to trouble a majority of Californians who felt the economy was in a down trend in September, according to a consumer attitude survey conducted for Bank of America.

"California consumer confidence that inflation can be controlled has steadily deteriorated in the past year," said Fred Thiemann, head of the bank's marketing research.

Of 888 Californians included in the September-October survey, 63 percent said they were "not too" or "not at all" confident that inflation can be controlled. This compares with 58 percent in July and 54 percent a year ago.

The survey's inflation index (positive responses minus negative responses plus 100) measured 70 points for the period, compared with the highest

reading of 96 points for this indicator in April 1975, when consumer confidence was recovering after the 1974 recession. This index was at the lowest reading since the survey began in 1975.

"Although consumer attitudes toward inflation can be expected to lag behind the recovery of consumer confidence, Californians have become increasingly pessimistic," Thiemann said.

Personal well-being index, a measure of how people view their economic status compared to the year before, was also down. It dropped nine points to 117 from 126 in July. The July reading was the highest for this indicator since the survey was begun in 1975. The October reading was one point higher than at the beginning of the year.

People's feelings about future personal well-being also dropped eight points to 129, its lowest point since June 1975.

ALBANY ROTARY CLUB

J. J. Sturgeon of Pacific Gas and Electric has been named Albany Rotary Club president for the year 1978. George Hollfelder, chairman of the nominating committee, announced today. Also taking office will be Bill Johns, Oakland attorney, as secretary; and Dave Nichols, manager of Fidelity Savings and Loan, as treasurer.

Names to the board of directors for two-year terms were Dan McPhee, Dick Janese and Bob Carlson. "Holdover directors" are Craig Lacy, Harold Denham, and Jim Simmons.

ALBANY LIONS CLUB

The local Lions, at their regular session tomorrow evening, will hold their annual Christmas party and celebrate the 34th anniversary of the Albany service club simultaneously, which, according to President Elliott Jones, "should make for quite some affair." Each member is asked to bring a small gift (value not to exceed five dollars). The gifts will be distributed at the meeting "so make each one suitable for a Lion," President

Jones suggested.

The Lions will participate in a "Zone Social" on Jan. 18, to be held in conjunction with the Berkeley El Cerrito, Emeryville and West Berkeley clubs. The Albany contingent will be in charge of the bar.

BAYVIEW AERIE 2323

The Bayview Aerie will hold open house on New Year's Eve for those who would like to spend an evening close to home with not too much fuss.

"There will be a midnight snack served," an Aerie spokesman said, "and we'll have juke box music. Too, we'll have facilities for groups who would like to play cards. We're urging all members to come down and do their own thing."

ALBANY AMERICAN LEGION POST 292

The New Year's Eve party being given by Post 292 will have a Hawaiian theme, according to Keith Truax, "and will start off with cocktails at 7 p.m., dinner at 7:30, and dancing from 9 to questionmark."

Art Bellasano's orchestra will furnish the beat. "For a donation of \$12.50 per person, all drinks and

food will be furnished," Keith expounded, "and we're also supplying noise makers. Suggested attire is bright Hawaiian shirts for the men, and muumuu for the girls (or grass skirts would be nice)."

"It's important, however, that we have reservations in advance," he added. "We can't take them after December 26, so those planning on attending must phone in the next several days. They can call me at 526-4487, Ray at 237-3427, Roy at 526-2891, or Tom at 524-1020."

ALBANY LIVE WIRES

The Live Wires have cancelled their meetings scheduled Dec. 23, and slated the next session for January 13 of 1978. The group will make preliminary plans for a Las Vegas trip and a tour of the South Pacific at the January conclave, a club spokesman said.

Car license

About 62 percent of the U.S. population, or 133 million Americans, were licensed to drive motor vehicles in 1976.

Pointers on picking right Christmas tree

DAVIS — 'Tis the season to decide on the focal point of holiday decorating — the Christmas tree. Not too many years ago, most people simply chose a cut tree from a Christmas tree lot. Now two other choices have rapidly gained in popularity — cutting a tree in a tree farm and buying a living tree.

According to R. James Laacke, University of California forestry specialist, no matter what kind of tree you get or where you get it, decide first what size you want and where you want to place it. Since it makes a difference as to the symmetry of the tree you will choose, keep in mind whether it will be seen from all sides or whether it will be against a wall or in a corner. The Cooperative Extension specialist warns against placing the tree near a heater, fireplace, or blocking an exit.

Before taking a cut tree or a living tree into the house, hose it off to get rid of dust, spiders or debris that might be hiding in the branches. Let the foliage dry, of course, before decorating.

Laacke advises choosing cut trees as fresh as possible. You can test for freshness by running your

finger down a branch or gently shaking the tree. If only a few needles drop off and appear to be firm but not brittle and the tree has a strong fragrance and a good green color, it should last through the holiday season with the proper care.

Recut the stump, he says, when you get it home by taking off about one inch straight across. This will help the tree stand straight in the stand as well as help it absorb water.

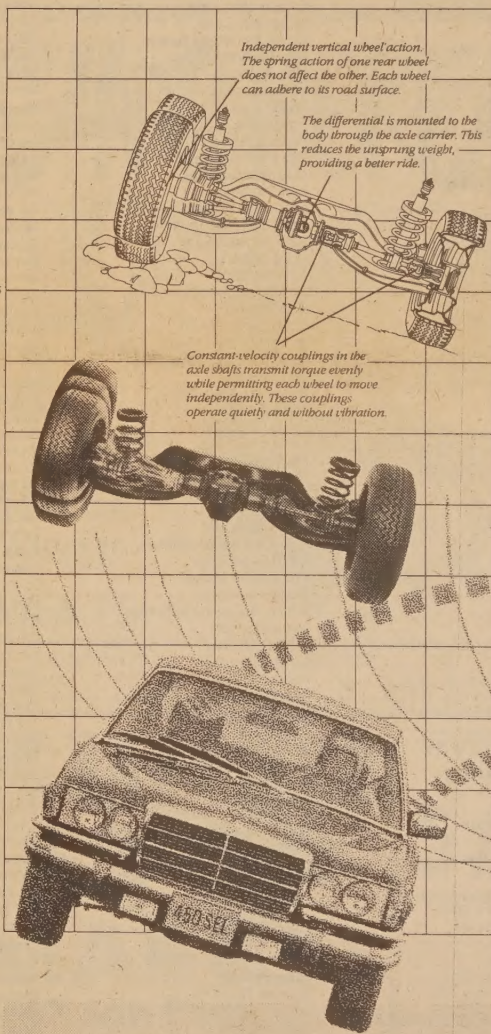
Museum to show movie 'Laura'

OAKLAND — The Oakland Museum's mystery and romance film series continues Friday with Gene Tierney starring as "Laura," the intelligent, pursued heroine with the theme music to match.

The 1944 film, which earned Otto Preminger an Academy Award nomination for Best Director, will be shown at 8 p.m. in the James Moore Theatre on the Museum's first level.

For further information readers may call 273-3005. The Oakland Museum is located at 1000 Oak St., one block from the Lake Merritt BART station.

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Instead of sending Christmas Cards this year to our friends in Albany, we whose names are listed above have made a contribution to the

Albany Chapter of the American Field Service. The funds from this effort will provide local scholarship for student exchange with the goals

of increased friendship and understanding. Gifts by anonymous donors are also appreciated by the Chapter.

We Sincerely Thank All of Those Who Contributed to the AFS. We Regret if Anyone Was Overlooked in This Publication.

Bacteria may increase world crop production

BERKELEY — University of California agricultural researchers have identified plant growth stimulating bacteria which they feel have great potential to increase the world's food supply.

Dr. Milton N. Schroth, plant pathologist at the University of California, and two graduate students, Thomas Burr and Trevor Suslow, report that they have increased yields of potatoes up to 30 percent and sugarbeets up to 10 percent by treating the seeds of these crops with certain strains of bacteria.

Schroth believes it is possible to obtain similar increases in yields from many other crops by treating the seeds with selected species of beneficial bacteria.

"The potential of using beneficial microorganisms to increase the world's food supply are enormous," Schroth said.

The U.C. agricultural scientists believe the beneficial bacteria stimulate plant growth and yields by colonizing on roots and biologically controlling various disease causing organisms in the soil, although they may also affect nutrient uptake by roots.

"The use of beneficial

Gasoline up another half-cent

SAN FRANCISCO — The most recent survey of gasoline prices within the membership area of the California State Automobile Association (CSAA) shows that the cost of automotive fuel has increased an average of half a cent since the auto club's October survey.

Regular grades of regionally and nationally advertised brands reflected the greatest increase over the past month, up six cents, and now sell at an average of 68.2 cents at full-service outlets and 62.7 cents at "mini" and self-service stations.

Premium and clear (no lead) grades increased four-tenths cent during the same period.

The average price of premium at full-service operations stands at 72.6 cents, while at "gas only" pumps the average price is 65 cents.

Clear (no lead) products are selling at about 70.7 cents at stations offering full service and 67.1 cents at "mini" service islands.

This means that barring price changes between now and the year-end holidays, California and Nevada motorists will be paying about 3 cents more for a gallon of gasoline than they did last Christmas.

Price variances between dealerships of up to 10 cents a gallon continue to be the rule in the surveyed area, while lesser known brands, those not regionally or nationally advertised, are often offered at prices from 5 to 10 cents less than the more familiar trade names.

Commissioner Glen Craig said, "We picked the theme to point up the gamble involved in driving after drinking, since the odds are high that one or more negative results will occur — an accident, an injury, some time in jail, out-of-pocket expenses for an attorney, a fine and an increase in insurance premiums. The driver who has been drinking is taking a gamble that simply is not worth the risk."

Commissioner Craig said

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microorganisms are of particular significance ecologically," Schroth points out, "since they may in some cases provide an alternative to the use of pesticides, and can be employed to improve soil fertility."

"It is ironic that genetic engineers are trying to create new beneficial bacteria for agriculture when we know little on how best to use the beneficial organisms that already exist naturally in the soil," Schroth said.

He predicted that in time beneficial bacteria will be used routinely to stimulate the growth of most crops, and said a number of companies have already expressed interest in producing growth-stimulating bacteria for commercial use.

SACRAMENTO — The California Highway Patrol's traditional year-end holiday season enforcement program against persons who drive while intoxicated (DWI) started on December 1 with the theme this year that drinking and driving is a losing gamble.

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Home costs rise another 14.2 pct.

SAN FRANCISCO — The cost of building a single-family home rose 14.2 percent in the San Francisco Bay Area in the year ended September 30, according to a quarterly study by Bank of America.

The cost of constructing a "Standard quality, semi-custom" house was \$48,830 at the end of September compared with \$42,750 a year earlier.

The percentage of increase exceeded the 13.4 percent rise for the 12 months ended June 30, the study showed.

The study, prepared by the bank's appraisal department, is based on interviews with subcontractors and materials suppliers in Bay Area counties. Not included are the cost of land, or indirect costs such as taxes, interest and property insurance.

The home plan the bank uses to price building costs includes a main building with 1,570 square feet of living area, a two-car garage of 446 square feet, and

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Photos of Nineties go on display

SAN FRANCISCO — A selection of seventy-four photographs by Julia E. Hoffman chronicling the life of her family around the turn of the century will be on view at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art through Dec. 31.

The works in the exhibition were given to the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art in 1973 by Margery Hoffman Smith, the photographer's daughter. They are part of the Museum's newly developed and rapidly growing collection of pre-twentieth century photographs. All are modern prints from the original dry plate glass negatives dated 1888 to 1904. The works were printed by George A. Tice in 1972 and Rudy Bender in 1973.

For the first time the federal grant included funds for outdoor posters and cards on buses, taxis and utility vehicles, plus specialty items such as placemats and cocktail napkins to be used by cooperating restaurants in the target areas.

The target areas include:

1. Humboldt, Crescent City, Garberville, Ukiah
2. Redding, Red Bluff, Willows
3. Auburn, Grass Valley, Placerville
4. Stockton
5. Fresno, Hanford, Madera, Merced, Modesto
6. Santa Fe Springs, South Los Angeles, Westminster, Santa Ana
7. Ventura
8. Ontario
9. Contra Costa, Hayward.

While all CHP Areas will be participating in the DWI accident reduction campaign only the target areas will receive federal funds for overtime road patrol hours.

Drinking driver campaign opens

The effort to reduce accidents caused by driving while under the influence of alcohol will continue for the rest of December and through the New Year's weekend. He stated that 24 CHP Areas had been selected on the basis of DWI accident experience last December as special target areas for this year's reduction campaign.

The California Office of Traffic Safety authorized a grant of more than \$500,000 in federal funds for the project, Craig said. The federal funds include payment for a maximum of 19,500 road patrol overtime in the 24 target areas.

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Model for energy producing plants

BERKELEY — Physicists at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory have received a \$5 million contract to construct the power source for a device that may soon be a model for future energy-producing power plants.

That power source, currently under construction at LBL, will fire high energy beams of hydrogen atoms with a force of 1.8 megawatts of power (equivalent to 2,400 horsepower) into a doughnut-shaped test reactor called Doublet III now being built at the General Atomic Company in La Jolla.

The LBL device, called a "neutral beam injector" because it injects uncharged, electrically neutral atoms into reactors, will fuel and power the Doublet III experiment to test ways of generating energy by a process called nuclear fusion.

Where modern nuclear power plants produce energy by splitting heavy radio-active elements into lighter atoms (a process

scientists term "nuclear fission"), fusion releases energy when light, non-radioactive atoms — namely hydrogen — fuse to form heavier elements.

That process, used by the sun to generate heat, is considered "cleaner" than fission because it produces less radioactive waste, say the LBL physicists. But fusion has problems, they add, because temperatures of millions of degrees — necessary to produce high-speed atomic collisions — are needed to start and sustain fusion processes.

Using the neutral beam injector, developed years ago by the LBL team, such temperatures can be achieved.

Within the injector, positively-charged atoms of hydrogen are accelerated electrically to speeds of six million miles an hour (2,800 kilometers per second). By a process called electron capture, these atoms are electrically neutralized before leaving the injector. Still traveling at high velocities, the atoms speed un-deflected (because of their lack of charge) through fields of circular magnets

that confine the "plasma" of positively-charged hydrogen atoms and negatively-charged electrons within the reactor.

Like billiard balls scattered by a forceful hit, these fast-moving atoms collide with the positively-charged hydrogen atoms — transferring their energy to the plasma fuel. High temperatures within the plasma simultaneously convert the injected neutral atoms into positively-charged hydrogen and electrons, thus replenishing the fuel while heating it.

Engineers at LBL, Princeton University and the Oak Ridge National Laboratory have previously constructed neutral beam injectors. But no design, says LBL project manager Jack Gunn, has ever been built with as much power as LBL's Doublet III injector system.

Current plans are to use the injector as a prototype for private industry to construct seven to eleven others

that will be attached in pairs to the sides of the Doublet III reactor.

Initial tests on the Doublet III experiment are planned for May 1978, and project scientists believe it will be the first such system to achieve conditions capable of igniting a "self-sustaining" or continuous fusion reaction.

Funding for construction of both the injector and the \$31 million Doublet reactor is being provided by the Energy Research and Development Administration. LBL was selected by the General Atomic Company to build the injector because of the success of its previous neutral beam project — such as the "50-ampere" injectors developed recently for Lawrence Livermore Laboratory's Mirror Fusion experiments.

The project is headed by LBL project director Walter Hartsough and General Atomic project director (also designer of the Doublet III reactor), Thirio Onkawa.

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Recorded December 22, 1972 as Instr. No. 72-172424 in book RE-3305 page 1M:447 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County; said deed of trust describes the following property: Real property in the City of Albany, County of Alameda, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the Western line of Kains Avenue, distant thereon southerly 197.32 feet from the intersection thereof with the southern line of Solano Avenue, formerly Main Street, as shown on the map herein referred to; thence southerly 35 feet; thence at right angles westerly 100 feet; thence at right angles northerly 35 feet; and thence at right angles easterly 100 feet to the point of beginning.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Planning Department has prepared a Community Development Plan, a Housing Assistance Plan and an application for the Community Development Block Grant for 1978-79 provided for in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1977 for the unincorporated area of Alameda County; and WHEREAS, the regulations require that the applicant conduct two public hearings on the application; and WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors did by Resolution No. 175638 approve the preliminary application for the unincorporated area at its December 13, 1977 public hearing; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors will conduct a second public hearing on the proposals for the unincorporated area on Tuesday, January 10, 1978, at 10:30 a.m., in the regular meeting room of the Board of Supervisors, Alameda County Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, California; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish said notice of hearing by publication two times in the Albany Times, The Argus, The Daily Review, the Oakland Tribune and the Tri-Valley Herald.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, this 20th day of December, 1977. JACK K. POOL, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California 2048A—December 21, 28, 1977

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ALAMEDA COUNTY URBAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Planning Department, in cooperation with the cities of Albany, Emeryville, Newark, Union City, Livermore and Pleasanton, has prepared a Community Development Plan, a Housing Assistance Plan and an application for the Community Development Block Grant for 1978-79 provided for in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1977 for the Alameda County Urban County; and WHEREAS, the regulations require that the applicant conduct a public hearing on the application; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposals for the Alameda County Urban County on Tuesday, January 10, 1978, at 10:30 a.m., in the regular meeting room of the Board of Supervisors, Fifth Floor, Alameda County Administration Building, 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish said notice of hearing by publication two times in the Albany Times, The Argus, The Daily Review, the Oakland Tribune and the Tri-Valley Herald.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE DOING BUSINESS AS SELECT STRUCTURAL BUILDERS 1436 Cornell Ave. Berkeley, CA. 94702

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON IS DOING BUSINESS AS: Delectable Mountains, 734 Ensenada Ave., Berkeley, CA. 94707. Delectable Mountains, (state of incorporation, New Mexico), 734 Ensenada Ave., Berkeley, CA. 94707. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Signed: KENTON H. LAI The statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on Dec. 13, 1977.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original on file in my office. Dated: Dec. 13, 1977 RENE C. DAVIDSON County Clerk DEPT. OF COUNTY CLERK 2047A—Dec. 21, 28; Jan. 4, 11, 1978

Doctors list precautions for joggers

SAN FRANCISCO — If you are thinking of taking up jogging, there are a number of precautions that should be followed before you start, according to the California Medical Association.

These guidelines are recommended: —Wear well-fitting shoes, with soft soles to reduce impact.

—Try to run on grass to minimize stress on your body.

—Begin by running short distances, gradually increasing distance and speed daily, until you reach a comfortable routine.

—Run at least four or five days every week. If you are unable to run for several weeks, resume gradually.

—Wear proper clothing: clothing that will prevent muscle chills on cold days, and lighter clothing on warm days.

—Replace water and salt that your body loses due to jogging.

—To prevent muscle strain, follow a program of regular stretching exercises.

Caution: jogging may sometimes cause such injuries as "shin splints," sprains, blisters, knee pain and hip discomfort. If pain persists, see your physician.

Aeolina

The small mouth organ commonly referred to as a harmonica is actually an aeolina, invented in 1829 by Sir Charles Wheatstone. Harmonica is a generic name given to instruments that produce sound through friction on glass bells.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA No. 208 512-8

Estate of LA MAE WILSON, ALSO Known as ILA M. WILSON

Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Lawrence D. Saler, 1248 Solano Avenue, Albany, CA. 94706 which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated: Nov. 29, 1977 DOROTHY JOHNSON Administratrix of the estate of the above named decedent

LAWRENCE D. SALER 1248 Solano Avenue Albany, CA. 94706 525-8457 Attorney for Administratrix A-2043—Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28, 1977

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This business is conducted by a corporation.

Delectable Mountains May Frances Mann President

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on date indicated by file stamp above.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original on file in my office.

Dated Dec. 6, 1977 Rene C. Davidson, County Clerk

By P. Forsythe, Deputy County Clerk

2045A Dec. 14, 21, 28, 1977 Jan. 4, 11, 1978



HE'S NO DUMMY — After Rev. Colin Cooper decided to keep his mouth shut the congregation doubled in his church in Gorleston, England, says his idea of using the ventriloquist's dummy was a winner because 'Charlie' can make comments that might be thought outrageous if the minister made them.

Richmond Museum open several extra days

The Richmond Museum has been dressed up for the holiday season with antique toys, Christmas postcards dating from 1910 to 1930, and a tree, decorated with old-fashioned ornaments.

Herrera serves

OKLAHOMA CITY — Now serving at Tinker AFB, Okla., with an Air Force Communications Service unit is Air Force Senior Airman Constantino J. Herrera, son of Mrs. Marjorie Herrera of 1113 Ward St., Berkeley.

Neal honored

OAKLAND ARMY BASE — Specialist Four Sherwin B. Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Neal, 1620 Woolsey St., Berkeley recently was named Soldier of the Quarter for the Oakland Army Base.

Obituary

Frank Biron

ALBANY — A Rosary for Frank Biron, 87, a longtime resident of this city who died Thursday, was recited at 8 p.m. Sunday in the drawing room chapel of Ellis-Olson Mortuary.

Mr. Biron was a native of Fossagno, Province di Treviso, Italy.

Survivors include his widow, Rose; a son, Biavanni, Verona, Italy, and a sister, Angela, Guirini, and three grandchildren.

A Catholic Blessing was offered at 11:30 a.m. Monday in the drawing room chapel of Ellis-Olson Mortuary prior to interment.

Christmas Eve

'Trance Dance'

Next vacation, find something new

For the trip of a lifetime

By DAVE CHEIT

If your idea of a vacation is seven days in a Waikiki high-rise or fighting for a parking place for your Winnebago, then Mountain Travel doesn't want your business.

On the other hand, if you've always wanted to see the base camp at Mount Everest or the Galapagos Islands or Angel Falls, or if you'd like to spend eight weeks — and about \$6,000 — following the entire perimeter of Mainland China, then you need look no farther than this most unusual travel agency headquartered in Albany, at 1396 Solano Avenue.

Mountain Travel began with a one-room office in Oakland back in 1967. It moved its headquarters to the converted house in Albany last year, and has established branch offices all over the world.

Mountain Travel offers more than 80 trips a year, to remote and seldom-visited parts of the world. Many of them include significant amounts of hiking and climbing; a few require advanced mountaineering skills.

"Climbing has always been my hobby," said Leo LeBon, co-founder of Mountain Travel and a resident of Berkeley. "I worked for a travel agency before I quit to start Mountain Travel." He went into partnership with Allen Steck and Alla Schmitz — Steck was formerly manager of Berkeley's Ski Hut.

"It has become an expression of our own way of life," he said. "Our trips emphasize the outdoors, but also each trip has a leader who is familiar with the area and gives the trip a personal feeling."

"They take you around as if you were friends. That's something you can't get with a pre-digested commercial tour."

The size of the groups is limited to 15 persons, to insure the intimacy and cohesiveness of the group. "I suppose some people would still rather go themselves, but we can offer them a knowledge of the area that they don't have," said LeBon.

"If you go by yourself you can't get the in-depth, concise, crystallized experience you get with us," he said. "That's what the travel business is all about."

Some of the tour leaders are Mountain Travel employees; others are famous long-time mountaineers who have agreed to have Mountain Travel be the agent for their services. Perhaps the best-known of all is Tenzing Norgay, a 63-year-old Sherpa who, with Edmund Hillary, led the first successful ascent of Mount Everest in 1953.

Fewer than half of Mountain Travel's customers live in California, according to a survey recently completed by LeBon. One quarter of them live on the East Coast. "There is nobody else in the country who does trips like this on our scale," he said. Although many students have gone on his trips, according to LeBon, these are not intended for those on a tight budget.



Camels in the Sahara . . .



. . . tigers in the jungles of India . . .

. . . or sea lions in the Galapagos Islands

—Photos by Mountain Travel

Holiday season can be frightening for pets

MORAGA — The California Veterinary Medical Association warns parents and pet owners that the Holiday Season can be very frightening for pets, especially those puppies and kittens who are given as gifts.

While the rush of Christmas is accepted by humans as a joyful time, pets are often swept up by rushing feet, late meals, blinking lights, shiny ornaments, intense excitement, and inclement weather.

Christmas wrappings and ornaments make prime targets for curious kittens and puppies. Also, loose wires make enticing meals to chewing cats and dogs, and can cause fires, short circuits, or electrocution of the nibbling pet.

Pets, like people, can be traumatized by the Holiday Season and often suffer from too much "sharing" of food and drinks. Table scraps, excessive sweets, and especially al-

coholic beverages, are not conducive to good animal health, and should be kept from the well-cared-for pet.

In any emergency, from passed blood due to swallowed bulbs, electric shocks, or swallowing poisons, your local veterinarian should be notified. Most areas in California maintain emergency service during evenings, weekends, and holidays. You should have a phone number handy.

With thought and care, pets and people can fully enjoy the Holiday Season.

Many species

The wilds of New Guinea are home to 180 different species of mammals, nearly one-third of them marsupials — including tree kangaroos, cuscuses, wallabies and bandicoots.

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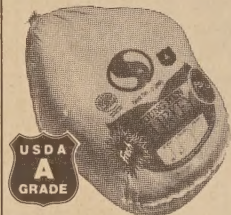
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Real Egg Nog Lucerne
69¢ Quart

Pumpkin Pie or Mince, Bel-air, Frozen, 24 oz. (Deluxe Pumpkin, 40 oz. \$1.39)
69¢

Perrier Water 69¢
Mineral, 23 oz.

Roasted Peanuts \$1.09
Planter's, Dry, 12 oz. Jar (Party Pride, 12 oz. 99¢)

Holiday Champagne \$1.89
Maison Blanc, 1.75 liter

Liebfraumilch \$1.75
Karl Mannheim, 23 oz.

Monastery Vineyard \$1.49
Burgundy, Chablis or Pin Rose, 5th

Gin or Vodka \$6.69
Winner's Cup, 80 proof, (Case of 6, \$38.28) 1.75 liter

Fidelis Brandy \$4.69
80 proof, Quart (Case of 12 \$50.65)

Stimulegs \$1.99
Safeway, Penny Horse, Pair (Extra Wide, pr. \$2.20)

Vanilla Ice Cream \$1.09
Lucerne, 1/2 gal.

Snack Crackers 49¢
Buddy Baker, 8 oz.

Cream Cheese 49¢
Lucerne, 8 oz.

Sodas & Mixers 4 for \$1
Cragmont, Plus Deposit, Quart

Cool Whip 59¢
Birds Eye Cream Topping, 9 oz.

Dinner Rolls 45¢
Mrs. Wright's or Brown-N-Serve 10 or 12 ct.

Bunch Spinach 4 \$1
How About A Spinach Salad Tonight

Large Cucumbers 3 for 39¢
Large, Fresh

Bell Peppers 39¢
Large Size lb.

Mixed Nuts 69¢
Good Selection lb.

California Grown Navel Oranges 7 97¢
Lb. Bag

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Economic impact of S.F. Ballet

SAN FRANCISCO — Richard E. LeBlond, Jr., president and general manager of the San Francisco Ballet, today announced that, for fiscal year 1977, the economic impact of the San Francisco Ballet on the city of San Francisco reached over \$8.5 million — a 39.1 percent increase over the \$6.1 million during fiscal year 1976.

The economic impact report, based upon figures in a 1976 Stanford Research Institute report, reveals that from September 1, 1976 through August 31, 1977 the San Francisco Ballet had an economic impact on the city of \$8,530,349.

The \$8.5 million figure is a combination of San Francisco Ballet expendi-

tures in the city: salaries, sets, costumes, materials, Opera House rent and school operations (\$6,445,600); and audience spending: parking, restaurants and transportation (\$2,084,790).

It is estimated that about 33 percent of the Ballet's audience spend an average of \$15 per person in addition to the purchase price of tickets when they attend a performance in San Francisco.

The San Francisco Ballet's total audience for fiscal year 1977, including attendance in tour cities, was 302,200. The repertory season in San Francisco accounted for the largest share with 109,200 — followed by the Nutcracker performances with 81,400.

An estimate of the Bal-

let's San Francisco Opera House audience indicates that 32.5 percent live in San Francisco, 24.4 percent in the East Bay, 23.8 percent on the Peninsula and 15.8 percent in Marin County. Of these, 15.7 percent live more than 40 miles from the city.

Holland Tunnel

The Holland Tunnel, the first ventilated underwater vehicular tunnel ever built, links New York City and Jersey City, N.J., under the Hudson River. It was named for Clifford M. Holland, its first chief engineer.



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